As I reflect on the first 15 years of IU Geriatrics, I think of three things... integration, growth, and impact.

The hallmark of IU Geriatrics is our integration of all three academic missions: patient care, education, and research. Whenever we start a clinical service, we also host trainees for learning experiences in geriatric care. Our research is focused on health services and outcomes. We "study what we do" by creating innovative models of clinical care and then testing these models for their effectiveness in achieving our goal of improving the quality of life for our patients and their caregivers. Through this integration we have developed exciting career paths for our faculty and staff, and we have developed synergies between the missions.

IU Geriatrics has experienced tremendous growth in all aspects of the program. There has been an increase in the number of faculty and staff, research projects, medical trainees, and clinical services. We started in 1997 with a total of 8 clinical and research faculty. Later this year we will have 30 faculty members including 20 board certified geriatricians. It has been a thrill to assemble such an outstanding and diverse group of faculty. In residency education, we have gone from having an elective in geriatrics to a required rotation that hosts 4-5 medicine housestaff each month. Our research productivity has also skyrocketed with over $8 million last year in externally funded projects.

Most gratifying has been witnessing the impact of IU Geriatrics at the local, state and national level. We have served thousands of older adults with complex healthcare needs through state-of-the-art interdisciplinary clinical services in three healthcare systems serving diverse populations of seniors: Wishard Health Services, the Indianapolis VA Medical Center; and IU Health. By partnering with our primary care and hospital medicine colleagues in implementing our collaborative care models, the impact of our geriatricians and interdisciplinary teams goes well beyond the patients to whom we provide direct care. As the only medical school in the state and second largest in the country, each year we provide education in geriatrics to hundreds of medical students and dozens of residents and fellows. Our impact now extends well beyond Indiana to those national and international programs that have begun implementing new models of care developed and tested at IU Geriatrics.

Looking beyond the first 15 years, the future holds great promise for IU Geriatrics. Opportunities abound for further integration, growth, and impact. Can't wait!

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April 20, 2012
1997-2012 Celebrating 15 Years of IU GERIATRICS Patient Care, Education and Research

1997 - IU Geriatrics
- Program founded by
- Director Steve Counsell
- 8 Faculty / 6 Geriatricians

1997 - Senior Care
- Patient care services established at Wishard Health Services

1998 - Senior Care
- Expands with new Wishard ACE Unit and IU Center for Senior Health

2002 - JAMA publishes clinical trial results of IMPACT care model

2004 - NIA funds P30 IU Roybal Center for Translational Research on Chronic Disease Self-Management Among Vulnerable Older Adults

2005 - John A. Hartford Foundation names IU Geriatrics a Center of Excellence in Geriatric Medicine

2006 - IU Geriatrics personnel lead efforts to build Indianapolis Discovery Network for Dementias, a local think-tank of providers, researchers and community advocates to enhance quality of life & care of persons with dementia

2007 - JAMA publishes clinical trial results of GRACE geriatric care management model

2008 - Institute of Medicine cites IMPACT and GRACE as innovative care models

2012 - IU Geriatrics
- Program Celebrates 15 Year Anniversary
- 30 Faculty / 20 Geriatricians

2011 - IU Geriatrics leaders host first American Delirium Society Annual Conference

1997 - IU Center for Aging Research founded by Director Chris Callahan

1999 - Patient care moves home with new House Calls for Seniors service

2003 - Donald W. Reynolds Foundation funds Geriatrics Education Network of Indiana

2004 - IU Health ACE
- Consults in Collaboration with Hospitalists

2006 - JAMA publishes clinical trial results of PREVENT care model

2007 - IU Geriatrics spearheads incorporation of Indiana Geriatrics Society as a state affiliate of the national American Geriatrics Society

2008 - Healthy Aging Brain Center opens at Wishard

2009 - Aging Brain Care services offered at Indianapolis VAMC

2010 - GRACE Team Care
- 32 Physicians have graduated from the IU Geriatric Medicine Fellowship Program

2011 - IU Geriatrics
- 500+ medical residents have completed the geriatrics rotation (50 per year)

2008 - 2009 - IU Geriatrics
- National debate on healthcare reform brings attention to geriatric care issues. Local research and implementation of geriatrics care models bring better healthcare and outcomes to older adults around the world.

The IU School of Medicine, Regenstrief Institute, Indiana University Strategic Directions Charter, and Wishard Health Services fund early IU Geriatrics patient care, education and research activities.

Outstanding leadership, excellent faculty and staff, and supportive partners move IU Geriatrics toward statewide impact on improving healthcare for older Hoosiers.
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